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TO: Lowell P. Braxton, Director

THRU: Mary Ann Wright, Associate Director *MAW*

THRU: Wayne Hedberg, Permit Supervisor *WH*

FROM: Lynn Kunzler, Senior Reclamation Specialist *LK*

RE: Request for Approval of Form and Amount of Reclamation Surety, Star Stone Quarries, Inc. Rosebud Mine, M/003/026, Box Elder County, Utah

The Division finalized the review of Star Stone Quarries, Inc.'s Rosebud Mine, located in Box Elder County, Utah and tentative approval was granted July 7, 2000. The tentative approval notice was sent to the local newspapers on August 12, 2000 to begin a 30-day public comment period. No adverse comments were received for this project.

The operator has provided the Division with a Reclamation Contract and a surety bond issued by American Motorists Insurance Company in the amount of \$68,700. The surety company is on the federal register listing of acceptable bonding companies. The Division's legal counsel has reviewed the forms for accuracy.

The Rosebud site was initially permitted as a small mining project in August 1994. The operator exceeded the allowed acreage for a small mining status; therefore, in August, 1999, the operator provided the Division with a \$15,000 CD, issued by First Security Bank, as interim surety until a Large Mining Notice could be submitted and approved.

If you are in agreement with the acceptance of the reclamation surety please sign and date the documents. We will then issue final Division approval for the Rosebud Mine. We have prepared a letter to First Security Bank under your signature authorizing release of the \$15,000 CD to the operator. On January 22, 2001, the Division received verbal concurrence from Robert Lopez and Michael Ford of the BLM to release the interim CD. If you are in agreement with releasing the interim CD, please sign the attached letter. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

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Enclosure: MR-RC & surety
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Agree 2
Lowell Braxton